

100 yards in Vaux Chapite wood, it was officially announced today.

The German machine gunners, counter-attacks on the Somme front, had weather hindering operations. In the Argonne a German attack near Four-de-France failed.

JACKALS FEAST ON BALKAN BATTLEFIELD

Three Hundred Skeletons of Bulgarians Found in Heap.

LONDON, Sept. 21.—Jackals and hyenas, creeping down from the mountains along the Serbo-Greek frontier, are feasting on the bodies of Bulgarian and Serbian soldiers who fell in the fighting northeast of Lake Ostrovo.

Three hundred Bulgarian corpses, piled in a heap in one ravine, were stripped of their flesh by jackals and hyenas at night and by thousands of crows and vultures that hovered over the fighting ground in the daytime. The dead Bulgarians had been moved down in a machine-gun attack and lay between the Serbian and Bulgarian lines. When the Serbo-advanced they found only skeletons and bits of torn uniforms.

Cooler weather is aiding in the operations along the Balkan front, and is partly accountable for the furious fighting now going on between Serbs and Bulgarians. At night when the allies first began hammering the Bulgarian lines, the heat in the daytime was so intense that even British and French troops hardened at Gallipoli suffered, and a large part of the fighting was done at night. In the recent operations the Serbs have been attacking day and night with battles going on for forty-eight hours without cessation.

CAPITAL ALARMED BY SERIES OF MURDERS

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epa, the records for ten years back showing the average number to be about two a month.

As a result of the recent tragedies there is a rapidly growing sentiment among officials here and among civic associations in favor of legislation that will prohibit the sale of fire-arms in the District.

SUICIDE IS VERDICT IN BATCHELOR CASE

Man Who Attempted to Kill Young Woman Killed Self Instantly.

Coroner Nevitt today gave a certificate of suicide in the case of Gorman C. Batchelor, twenty-three years old, who late yesterday afternoon fired a bullet through his brain at Twelfth and B streets northwest, after a sensational attempt to kill Miss Stroman, a twenty-five-year-old daughter of Patrolman Henry C. Stroman, of this city.

There was no investigation.

Miss Stroman, who has been boarding with a Mrs. Eddins, at 717 K street northeast, lies prostrate over the shock of her terrible experience. Patrolman Stroman explained that although he lives at Brookland, his daughter left home eight years ago, after the death of her mother.

Batchelor's wife is left at a local hospital. She and the dead man were at 1023 B street southwest with their one child. Relatives declared today that Batchelor was a violent man for some time, and stated their belief that he was temporarily deranged.

Refusal on the part of Miss Stroman to accept Batchelor's attentions is believed to have been responsible for his attempt.

But for the intervention of Duncan Stuart, a Department of Agriculture employee, a Department of Agriculture street, Taloma Park, whose hat was pierced by a bullet from Batchelor's revolver, and an Police Officer Steel it is probable the girl would have been killed.

Was Waiting Her.

The affray took place at the entrance to the Department of Agriculture grounds about 5 o'clock yesterday afternoon. Miss Stroman told the police that when she left her work at the General Postoffice Department, Batchelor, who was employed as a clerk in the offices of the Southern railway, was waiting for her outside.

He demanded that she accompany him into the grounds of the Smithsonian Institution. Miss Stroman refused, explaining later to the police that she had been forced to give up her employment at the Southern Railway of some time ago and seek another position because of Batchelor's persistent and unwelcome attentions.

When she refused to accompany him, the young woman said, Batchelor became so irritated that, in order to avoid a scene, she consented to walk with him as far as Twelfth and B streets northwest. On the way, she said, Batchelor threatened to kill her. The two sat on a bench, and as Batchelor continued to talk wildly, the young woman appealed for assistance to Mr. Stuart, who was passing.

Stuart remonstrated with the young man, who denied that he had made any threats and offered to let Stuart search him for a weapon. This Stuart started to do, and was feeling in the young man's hip pocket, when suddenly Batchelor drew forth a pistol from his inside breast pocket, and began firing at the girl.

Killed Self Instantly.

The two men grappled as the shot went wild, and Park Policeman Steele, attracted by the noise of the shot, rushed to the scene. Batchelor, who had managed again to free his weapon, and this time fired at Steele, the bullet passing through the latter's hat.

Immediately afterward, Batchelor trained the gun on himself and fired two shots, the second of which passed through his brain, killing him instantly.

Records Get Recruits.

WINNIPEG, Manitoba, Sept. 21.—Photographic records of speeches by Premier Asquith and noted English leaders are being successfully used to recruit soldiers here.

THE WEATHER REPORT.

Forecast for District of Columbia and Maryland—Overcast tonight; rain tomorrow; possibly with showers tonight; warmer tonight; moderate south and southwest winds.

For Virginia—Possibly fair tonight and tomorrow; warm in interior tonight; moderate variable winds.

TEMPERATURES.

(U. S. Bureau)

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| 3 a. m. | 51 |
| 6 a. m. | 52 |
| 9 a. m. | 53 |
| 12 noon | 56 |
| 3 p. m. | 59 |
| 6 p. m. | 57 |

TIDE TABLES.

(U. S. Coast and Geodetic Survey.)

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| High tides. | 3:03 a. m., height 2.5 |
| | 3:17 p. m., height 2.3 |
| Low tides. | 10:29 a. m., height 0.3 |
| | 10:29 p. m., height 0.4 |

SUN AND MOON TABLES.

Sun rises.....5:33 | Sun sets.....6:59
Moon rises 12:13 a. m. | Moon sets 3:26 p. m.
Light automobile lamps at 6:30 p. m.

COMMITTEE NAMED TO TRY TO GET NAVY TEST STATION HERE

Chamber of Commerce Members Directed to Strive for Washington's Selection.

P. T. MORAN TO DIRECT WORK

Investigation Planned to Find Why Movement Was Defeated in Congress.

A committee of ten members of the Chamber of Commerce was appointed following a special meeting of the board of directors of the chamber today to strive to bring about the location of the Government armor plant in the District.

P. T. Moran, president of the chamber, acting under authority of a resolution calling upon the District Commissioners for their endorsement and support of the movement, appointed the committee. He will act as chairman.

The other members of the committee are: A. J. Lefkowitz, Richard G. Capers, Chapin Brown, D. J. Kaufman, Merritt O. Chance, W. T. Gallinger, Henry B. P. Macfarland, W. J. Gude, and Joseph Berberich.

Proposes Probe.

Mr. Sinclair suggested at the meeting that an investigation be made as to why the stipulation that the armor plant was to be located in the District was eliminated from the bill appropriating the money for the plant.

He said that the District was specified as the location in the bill as it had originally passed the Senate but that the wording of the measure had been changed through intense pressure brought by Navy Department officials which left the location to the discretion of the officials.

A communication urging Washington business men to take an interest in the construction of what is known as the International Steel and Shipbuilding Company's plant at Quantico, Va., was read by the secretary. This communication, signed by Hugh McIsaac, secretary of the corporation, stated that the building had already been erected on a fifty-five-acre tract purchased by the corporation at Quantico, and that two other buildings were in course of construction.

Not Interested in Land.

The letter stated that the corporation was in no way interested in the land development company which is booming property in Quantico and vicinity.

A letter was also read from the editor of the Quantico Times, asking that Quantico be endorsed as the place for the location of the armor plant in the event that Washington was not selected.

Plans were formulated to have the Board of Trade and the Retail Merchants' Association co-operate with the Chamber in entertaining the members of the Arkansas trade bodies who will arrive here on October 23 on the "Arkansas Traveler," a train sent out by the commercial organizations of the State to advertise the State's wares.

North Capitol Citizens Meet Tuesday Night

The first fall meeting of the North Capitol and Eckington Citizens' Association will be held in the Matthew G. Emery School building, Lincoln road and Randolph place next Tuesday evening at 7:30 o'clock.

BLACKMAIL CASES MAY CHANGE LAW

Department of Justice Conference Discuss Revision of Mann White Slave Act.

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was decided at the conference that neither time nor expense should be spared in the effort to obtain convictions in the cases now pending in Chicago. It has been decided that the time has come when radical measures in order that examples may be made of some of the offenders, especially those who are accused of forming groups for a systematic blackmailing campaign.

"All of the cases of those arrested at Chicago," said Mr. Hilsinki, in discussing the purpose of the conference, "originated in the East. We wanted to talk over matters, see if the information we have from the East fits in with the information we have from the West, and pursue our investigation in the light of the co-ordinated evidence. We are getting more evidence every day."

There are indications of more arrests pending, especially in some of the larger Eastern cities, and a number of suspects not yet in custody are under surveillance of Federal agents.

The officials in Washington, by the publicity which the blackmailing conspiracy has received, should have an excellent educational and preventative effect.

BLACKMAILERS' CARD INDEX IS SEIZED

CHICAGO, Sept. 21.—Many prominent Chicago men and women are having for some weeks following the confiscation of a card index case used by the blackmailers syndicate, the leaders of which are believed to be under arrest here.

"At least twenty names were listed and opposite each was a note of some misconduct which the syndicate hoped to use for extortion," said a detective who worked on the case today.

"All those listed were of prominence financially and socially here. But the names will not be given out," he said.

Evidence of the syndicate's operations continues to pile up. The machinery manufacturer is known to have become infatuated with a woman in a cafe.

As the romance waned the woman told him she was ill, and suggested he send her to the mountains and give her \$20,000.

"If you do not see the justice of this, perhaps your wife will," she wrote him in answer to his objections. He had the woman shadowed in New York, and forced her to sign a statement that she had lied and absolving him from further payments.

"WAR'S WOMEN" FILM EXHIBITORS ARE SUED

Exhibitors of the film "War's Women" are required to show cause in the District Supreme Court October 6 why they should not be enjoined in a rule issued by Justice McCoy on the appeal of Edmund K. Fox and Harry Shulley, trading as the Hy-Art Masterpiece Company.

The plaintiffs allege that Samuel Cummins and Fayette Thomas Moore, trading as Tom Moore, are using in "War's Women" at the Metropolitan Theatre of film entitled "Across the Mexican Border" and "German's Battles at Ardun," the exclusive rights of which have been given to the plaintiffs.

Justice McCoy's rule requires Moore to show cause why he should not be enjoined from playing Cummins' or the proceeds from the production of "War's Women," and either Cummins to show cause why he should not be enjoined from using the Mexican and German photographs in the District, Maryland, and other Southern States.

The plaintiffs are represented by Attorney Fred S. Swindell.

INSURANCE MEN HELD IN CONTEMPT

J. B. Kinnear and S. J. Masters Fail to Turn Over Funds to Receiver.

Justice Siddons, in an opinion filed today, declares that Samuel J. Masters and John B. Kinnear failed to obey a court order to turn over assets involved in the Royal Life Insurance Company and Modern Woodmen of the World litigation to Receiver H. W. W. Wheatley, and are in contempt of court.

The justice asserts that he will sign an order committing Masters and Kinnear until they have purged themselves of contempt, by fulfilling the mandate of the Court of Appeals, which some months ago decided in favor of Charles A. Hartmann and other policy holders against the insurance officials.

Justice Siddons' opinion was made on an appeal by Wheatley to procure from Masters and Kinnear certain assets alleged to be theirs. In answering the rule to show cause the insurance officials declared they had obeyed the order of the court as far as was practicable.

Investments Unproductive.

The answer asserted that certain assets had been invested by them and the investments had proven unproductive. The answer asked that the insurance litigation be referred to the auditor of the court to determine how much was due the receiver.

Justice Siddons' opinion declares that the answer does not purge the defendants of contempt of court. The justice reviews the mandate of the Court of Appeals, which instructs Masters and Kinnear to turn over to a receiver all assets of the companies, and if any assets have been converted into money, the cash is to go to the receiver. The receiver was charged with the duty of endeavoring to reorganize the company for the benefit of the policyholders.

Responsibility Their Own.

"If they have been exchanging or selling the assets of the Royal Life Insurance Company they have done so on their own responsibility and at their own peril," is the court's opinion.

The opinion declares that an order enjoining the insurance officials in contempt of court if they fail to purge themselves will be signed in conformity with the court's decision. Masters and Kinnear have been represented by Attorney Daniel W. Baker, William Henry White is attorney for the receiver, H. W. Wheatley.

MRS. HAMEL KILLED BY CHISM, SAYS JURY

A coroner's jury decided today that Mrs. Blanche Hamel, who was found mortally wounded at Tenth and M streets southeast, Tuesday night, was shot by John W. Chism, with whom she was seen talking on the corner just before the shooting occurred.

The coroner ordered the inquest because of a puzzling note which Chism left when he shot and killed himself at 20 Sixth street southwest later the same night, in which he declared that "Blanche shot herself." The verdict of the coroner's jury reads:

"Blanche Hamel came to her death at or near Tenth and M streets southeast on Tuesday night, Sept. 19, 1916, from gunshot wounds to the neck, hemorrhage and shock, as a result of being shot with a pistol in the hands of one John W. Chism, at or near Tenth and M streets southeast, at 1011 M street southeast.

Mrs. Hamel believed Chism fired the fatal shot in a fit of jealousy. Chism had been rooming in Thirteenth street southeast, and had known Mrs. Hamel for about five years. Mrs. Hamel had not lived with her husband for seven years, according to her mother.

FIVE HURT IN GLARE HEADLIGHT CRASH

Five persons are suffering from injuries today as a result of the latest "glare headlight" smash-up on the Washington-Baltimore boulevard.

A Baltimore automobile, driven by George J. Gaston, of that city, was struck by another machine near Lansdowne, Md., at 10:30 o'clock last night. Gaston's machine, which was carrying eight persons, was overturned, and five of the occupants were picked up unconscious.

The other machine, which kept right on after the accident, is said to have been driven by a colored man. It was using flare headlights with no glimmers. Those in the wrecked car declare they were partly blinded by the intense glare. They also contend that the colored man was driving at a terrific pace and holding to the center of the road.

Police from Mt. Winans and Baltimore have begun a systematic search for the driver of the speeding automobile, and are understood to have appealed to the police of the District to aid.

Dr. J. Bosler Biggs, of this city, who drove by the scene of the accident shortly after it occurred, with Dr. W. V. Levy, of the Panama Canal Zone health service; H. B. Spicer and A. M. McCright, of this city, helped raise the overturned machine and extricate the injured.

DEMOCRATS AWAIT WILSON'S SPEECH

Believe President's Remarks to Grain Dealers in Baltimore Will Carry Weight.

ARMORY PARK, N. J., Sept. 21.—Great importance is attached by the Democrats to President Wilson's address next Monday afternoon before the National Grain Dealers' Association at Baltimore.

What the President has to say on that occasion and the reception accorded his speech, they believe, will have a strong influence in two of the most important voting strongholds of the country.

The grain dealers are in intimate touch with the farmers. They also are among the foremost shippers of the country, who, the railroads say, will have to "pay the freight" as a result of President Wilson forcing the eight-hour legislation through Congress.

The President also is expected to open up at Baltimore for the first time in a counter attack upon Republican Candidate Hughes on the eight-hour issue.

The President will be in Baltimore only a short time, arriving shortly before 1 o'clock in the afternoon. He speaks at 2:30 p. m. in the Lyric Theatre.

ster and will leave for Shadow Lawn almost immediately after concluding his address.

Since the news has gone forth that the President will accept several Western speaking invitations, the Executive offices here have been literally swamped again with appeals from cities seeking a place among the chosen few.

Competing in numbers with these telegrams are those from Democrats in all parts of the country expressing pleasure that the President will not remain silent and leave all the campaign oratory to his opponents, but that the President is making a careful study of the nature of the conventions, organizations, etc., before which he has been asked to speak. Anything that savors of a partisan meeting is discarded.

MRS. ELIZABETH HIX'S FUNERAL TOMORROW

ALEXANDRIA, Sept. 21.—The funeral of Mrs. Elizabeth Hix, who died at her home yesterday, will be held tomorrow at 2 o'clock.

William Albert Smoot, Jr., has been elected vice president of the Alexandria Daily Gazette Corporation.

Samuel Hedding was struck by a block of wood thrown by a bus, which he was operating yesterday, and suffered a fracture of the skull.

The State corporation commission has granted a charter to Anton Fischer, with a capital stock of \$20,000. The officers are Emrich, D. Lamb, president, and Harry Taylor secretary.

Max Rosenfeld has plans and specifications prepared for a modern two-story apartment building on the site of the brick store which he recently purchased.

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